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# FOUNDER'S MESSAGE



I feel contented to see my children, Tara Banjara, Amar Lal, Rajesh Jatav, and many others, who've become the strongest voices against child labour, child slavery and child trafficking in the society today. We all were overjoyed watching these children addressing the large forum at the 5th Global Conference on 'Elimination of Child Labour' organised by ILO in Durban, South Africa. These children have emerged as catalysts of change and are constantly working with our team to create a child-friendly world where all children have access to their rights and education.

I would like to thank each one of you who have been involved with us in our journey.

John homes

### **KEY UPDATES**



Children continue to receive Non-Formal Education at our Banjara Education Centres



People were linked with various government schemes



Children continue to receive Formal and Non-Formal Education at Bal Ashram



Girls continued to receive skill training



Children participated in various awareness campaigns & were sensitized about their rights



People were reached through our School Chalo Abhiyaan

### **QUARTERLY UPDATES - AT A GLANCE**



#### **OUR NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE!**

Check out our website to know more about our latest updates and activities. You will be thrilled to read some inspiring stories, newsletters and various blog articles in our 'Resources & Publications Section'. Do visit us @www.balashramtrust.org

# SHOUT OUT ON THE #WORLDNOTOBACCODAY

Smt. Sumedha Kailash shared her words of wisdom on the significance of **children's mental health and tobacco de-addiction** on the #WorldNoTobaccoDay at the Virutal Townhall.







Tara Banjara, Rajesh Jatav and Amar Lal (from the left)

# FORMER CHILD LABOURERS TO CRUSADERS OF CHANGE

We were proud to listen to the stirring speech of our children at the **5th Global Conference on Elimination of Child Labour by ILO - Durban, South Africa.** 

They stood against all odds and fought for their rights and justice to pursue a life which is free from any forms of exploitation.

#### **LIVE FROM AIR FM RADIO!**

Our child rights activists **Tara Banjara**, **Amar Lal**, **Rajesh Jatav**, **and Payal Jangid** encouraged the listeners to voice out and pledge toward safeguarding the rights of children. To hear them one more time- click.





# **OUR SPECIAL GUEST FROM UNESCO**

Ms. Gabriela Ramos, Assistant Director-General for Social & Human Sciences, UNESCO visited us at Bal Ashram in

June. Our children were excited to show Ms. Ramos their classrooms, awards, and medals. She was overjoyed to meet our children and we are looking forward to partnering with UNESCO.



Our children from Bal Ashram Trust were felicitated by the honorable **DG RPF**, **Mr. Sanjay Chandar**, **for being catalysts of change** in their villages and communities at the National Consultation organized in Delhi to make our Nation Child Labour free.





#### **SCHOOL CHALO ABHIYAAN**

In our continuous effort to reduce school dropout rates, we conducted a week-long awareness campaign in **25 Child-Friendly Villages** in Rajasthan to prevent drop out. We reached out to **over 10,000 people,** including children, through the campaign.

# AND THE NEW JOURNEY BEGINS!

Kudos to our children Jitu, Keshav, and Narendra, former child labour survivors and Bal Ashram alumni who have recently made their way to get enrolled in the University of Engineering and Management (UEM)-Jaipur.



### **EVENTS AND MORE!**

# FOLLOW OUR NEW VOLUNTEERS SPEAK SERIES ON INSTAGRAM AND YOUTUBE









Through our unique

#VolunteersSpeakSeries we bring to you heartwarming messages of volunteers worldwide visiting our Bal Ashram Trust campus in Viratnagar, Jaipur.

We are forever grateful to each of them, thanks for being part of our Mission!

### STORIES OF CHANGE!



Our alumnus, Shubham Rathore was elected as Bal Sarpanch at Bal Ashram



He recently completed his PG Diploma in Liberal Studies



Our alumnus, Sanjay Kumar was keen on learning Hotel Management



He is now pursuing B.Sc. in Hotel & Catering Management

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Your contributions support us in building an enabling learning, safe and healthy environment for all children at Bal Ashram Trust.

TO BE A PART OF OUR INITIATIVES- DONATE NOW!

#### DIGITAL FOOTPRINTS OF THE MONTH





Each click counts!

You showered immense love to us through our Instagram reels and posts. Thank you for being our constant supporter. Keep following us for more exciting updates!

### **VOICES THAT MATTER**



I teach music to the children at Bal Ashram. Music works like a therapy for them, it helps them overcome their past traumas & mental stress.

Kanhaiya Lal Sao Teacher, Bal Ashram Trust

My education centre is my favourite place. I enjoy writing alphabets and love doing painting on the computer installed in my classroom.

Sapna Banjara, Gopalpura Banjara Education Centre





I was trafficked at the age of 10. Bal Ashram Trust gave wings to my dreams of becoming an engineer and today I am pursuing B.Tech in Electrical Engineering from UEM university."

Narendra Kumar, Alumnus
Bal Ashram-Rehabilitation Centre



